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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the May 16, 2006, office action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendment to the Drawings appear beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims appear in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.